#### PRESS COMMENT

(Buffalo Commercial.) Not only does the future prosper-ity of the country demand careful conservation of its natural resources, but this conservation should carry with it practical and extensive devel-opment of oil, mineral and other in-dustrial features.

WESTERN OPPOSITION TO CONSERVATISM.
(Bee, Sacramento, Cal.)

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The Seceretary (of the Interior) has outlined practical means of furthering the progress of the West through income that may be had from public lands, the sovernment retaining title and control. This he would have done through leasing cast, phosphata, oil, potash and other least progress of the would have done through leasing cast, phosphata, oil, potash and other lands, on a royalty basis. Of this revenue he suggests that not less than 15 per cent. should be apportioned to the states, respectively, from which it is derived, to compensate for their inability to lax such lands remaining under government ownsermality in the money to irrigate desert lands, and so make them available for settlement and production, those lands prout from the Heckamatton and it will eventually all he roturned to the Government. And many thousands of ages in so where the many thousands or ages in the hirrenness to a high degree of productiveness and many homes be stablished where now is nothing but desclation and sollinds.

This fir-seeing and liberel progress the same such to commend if Not the last of its merits is its tendency to oversome State opposition to the conservation policy, which is still very strong in some parts of the west, being safishly ancided and kept alive by predictry and grasping private in tarses.

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LEASES OF GOVERNMENT COAL AND PETROLEUM LANDS.

AND PETROLIEUM LANDS.

(The Sun, Raitmore, M4.)

The suggestion made by Secersta? ane, in his report for 1813, that the exerument should hereafter not sell utright coal and petroleum lands, at should only lease them for a serm of years, reserving a royalty on sen and the right to re-lease them it the end of the term on new conditions, has not yet been acted upon y Congress. Governor West of Orecon sees in conditions in Colorado a sew argument for Secretary Lane's sign, and he urges that "with these essents at hand the country should be prompt to come to the aid of the Secretary of the Interior and assisting in carrying through his program for the future control and disposition of these resources." The measures carrying out the Secretary's plans should have Congressional attention at the very first opportunity. The advantages of such a system are too obvious to require argument. It would put the Government in a position to prevent such labor wars as have occurred in Colorado and elsewhere, and might enable it to protect the public from exorbitant charges also. If the Colorado strike shall have the effect of hastening the adoption of such a policy, it will not have proved an unmixed evil.

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"Indeed, I promise," cried Mrs. orton, tearfully, "I will give them ist as you direct, doctor."

When the box came from the drug-sty, the label seed.

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their energies in the building of their energies in the building or community if they were siven as chance. Of course there are a wolf and a scotch as who would not take advantage my opportunity but it is hard to suitable between a wolf and a scotch stag hound, and have been bred in orthern Canada. The lightest of them will turn the scales as eighty points whereas the heaviest dog with the lass Shackleton expedition weight has common sense and is not the lass Shackleton expedition weight has common sense and in not fevelop a good and presperous dilized at the lass Shackleton expedition weight he can beast of a bank account.

SEES OF GOVERNMENT COAL MAND PETROLIEUM LANDS.

(The Sun, Estitinore, M1)

The latest argointments to the expeditionary staff are Sir Phillip Lee Erocklehurs, who was with Shackleton weight the lass are at Mount Erocklehurs, who was with Shackleton on 1967 and 1909 and who made the first ascent at Mount Erocklehurs, who was with Shackleton on 1967 and 1909 and who made the first ascent at Mount Erocklehurs, who was with Shackleton on 1967 and 1909 and who made the first ascent at Mount Erocklehurs, who was with Shackleton on 1967 and 1909 and who made the first ascent at Mount Erocklehurs, who was with Shackleton on 1967 and 1909 and who made the first ascent at Mount Erocklehurs are some of a population for positions with the expertion of applications for positions with the expertion have been received.

The lock are shown to five the hand we'll talk it over."

I took the bit of pasteboard he hand ed up.

### **BUILDING NOTES** OF LOCAL INTEREST

Eighteen permits to build, the aggregate cost of the work to be \$33,415, were lesued by the building commissioners at their meeting Friday night.

The permits were:

P. W. Murray, frame garage, 1,324
Bast Main street.

George Lacey and George Kable,
one-story frame shed, south side of
North avenue.

one-story frame shed, south side of North-avenue.

David T. Lane, three-family frame dwelling, east side of Myrtle avenue.

Annie Wright, frame garage (P.), west side of Main street.

James T. Geremia, two-family frame dwelling, north side of Alix street.

F. B. Curtis, alterations to present hillding, east side of Main street.

Gity of Bridgeport, concrete floor No. 2 engine house, south side of Crescent syeme.

City of Bridgeport, brick storage building, north side of John street.

J. Lang. two-story frame shed, south side of Deacon street.

Abraham Smith, two and one-half story frame store and dwelling, east

story frame store and dwelling, east side of Madison avenue.

Abraham Smith, three-family frame dwelling, east side of Madison ave-

A. Gergh, one-story frame addition to dwelling, south side of Grandfield

D. F. & M. A. Ball, frame porch,

D. F. & M. A. Ball, frame porch, east side No. 1,412 Iranistan avenue.

Andrew and Annie Fijalaka, two-family frame dwelling, west side of Orchard street.

W. H. Nichols, to alter a barn into a dwelling, north side of Monroe street.

Otto Neehan, one-family frame addition to dwelling, 253 Carroll avenue.

Emil Stehl, frame addition to rear of dwelling, south side, 41 Federal street.

Catherine B. Wade, one-family frame dwelling, north side of Hawley

The board of contract and supply is advertising for bids to be opened at 12 o'clock on June 1 for the printing of the municipal register. The hoard is also advertising for bids to furnish beef for Lakeview home for the month of June, the bids to be opened on May

# Gordon Craig

Soldier of Fortune --- by Randall Parrish



The Story by Chapters.

I took the bit of pasteboard he hand-

"All right, sir, I'll be there on time."
"Come to the side door," he added swiftly, lowering his voice, "the one on the south. Give three raps. By the way, what is your name?"
"Gordon Craig," I answered.
"Ever been known by any other?"
"I enlisted under another. I ran away from home and was not of age."
Out of his sight I looked curiously

Out of his sight I looked curiously at the card. It was the advertise-ment of a clothing house, and on the back was written "P. B. Neale, 108

Chestnut street."

Evidently this man Neale had need of a stranger to help him out in some scheme. Well, if the pay was good and the purpose not criminal I had no objections to the spice of danger. Indeed, that was what I loved in life. I was young, full blooded, strong, willing enough to take desperate chances for sufficient reward.

My father from whom I had not

My father, from whom I had not beard a word in two years, was a prominent manufacturer in a New England village. The early death of my mother had left me to his care when I was but ten years old, and we failed to understand each other, drifting apart, until a final quarrel had sent me adrift. I was in my junior year at Princeton, when the break came. This all occurred four years previous, three of which had been passed in the ranks, yet even now I was stubbornly resolved not to return

I possessed a fairly decent suit of clothes, now pressed and cleaned after the rough trip from the coast, and that evening I dressed as carefully as possible in the dingy room of my boarding house. It was still daylight, out there was a long walk before me. testnut street was across the river. in the more aristocratic section.

It was dark enough when I got there and began seeking the number. I found No. 108. It was slightly back from the street, a large stone man-sion, surrounded by a low coping of brick and with no light showing any-where. I was obliged to mount the

at the edge of a closely drawn curtain I rapped on the door three times, my nerves tingling from excitement. There was a moment's delay so that I lifted my hand again, and then the door

I stepped within, seeing nothing of the man, and the door was closed be-hind me. The sharp click of the latch convinced me it was secured by a

spring lock.

"Turn on the light," said the voice at my side sharply. Instantly an electric bulb glowed dazzling overhead in a narrow hallway and I blinked, about half blinded by the sudden change.

Neale, appearing somewhat more slender in evening clothes, smiled at me genially, showing a gold crowned tooth, and led the way to a spacious apartment, evidently a library. The high ceiling and restful wall decorations were emphasized by luxurious furnishings. The only light was under a shaded globe on the central table, leaving the main apartment in shadows, but the windows had their heavy curtains closely drawn. The sole occupant was a man in evening dress, seated in a high backed leather chair. With an indolent wave of one hand he seemingly invited me to take hand he seemingly invited me to take a vacant chair to the right, while Neale remained standing near the

This new position gave me a better view of his face, but I could not guess his age. His was one of those old young faces, deeply lined, amooth shaven, the hair clipped short, the flesh ashen gray. He must have stared at me a full minute.

"He will do very well, Neale," he decided, with a glance across at the other. "Possibly a trifle young. Have a cigar or a drink, Craig?"

"I will smoke."

"I will smoke."
"How old are you?" "Only as far as St. Louis. I was at fferson barracks. "Neale said you were in the army-

full enlistment?"

"Yes. Discharged as corporal."

"You would be glad of a job that paid well and wouldn't mind if there was a bit of excitement connected

"What is your idea of paying well?" "Expenses liberally figured," he re-plied slowly, "and \$10,000 for a year's work or less if done right."

I half rese to my feet in surprise.
"Sit down, man. This is no pipe dream, and I mean it. In fact, I am willing to hand you half of the money down. See here, Craig," and he lean-ed forward, peering into my face, "all you have got to do to earn your money is obey orders strictly and keep your tongue still. Do you get that?"
"The proposition looks good, only I should like to know a little more clear-

ly what I am expected to do."

He slowly lif a fresh cigar, studying the expression of my face in the light as though deciding upon a course of

"Very good. We'll come down to facts. It will not take long. In the first place, my name is Vall—Justus C. Vall. I am a lawyer of some reputa tion in this state, and my entire interest in this affair is that of legal adviser of Mr. Neale. Here is the case as submitted to me: Judge Philo Hen-ley, formerly of the United States circuit court, retired at sixty-four and settled upon a large plantation near Carrollton. Ala. His wife died soon after, and a week or so ago the judge also departed this life, leaving an estate valued in excess of \$500,000 Philo Henley and wife had but one child, now a young man of twenty-ave years, named Philip. As a boy he was wild and unmanageable, and finally when about twenty years old some prank occurred of so serious a nature that the lad ran away. He came north and was unheard of for some time, living under an assumed name. Later some slight correspondence ensued be-tween father and son, and the boy was granted a regular allowance Philip remained in the north, led his own life, became dissipated and a rounder and drifted into evil associations. Finally, about six months ago, he married an actress in this city, not of wealthy family, but of respectable antecedents. He married her under his assumed name, and they began housekeeping in a fiat on the north

in some way and began to insist that the son return home with his wife. Circumstances prevented, however, and the visit was deferred. Meanwhile, becoming more eccentric as he grew older, the father discharged all his old servants and lived the life of a reciuse. When he died suddenly and almost alone he left a will leaving his property to Philip, providing the young man returned with his wife to live upon the estate within six months; otherwise the entire estate should be divided among certain named charities. Three administrators were named, of whom Neale here was one." Neale drew a legal looking paper

from his pocket. "Here is a copy of the will." he said, "if Oraig cares to examine it."
"Not now," I replied. "Let me hear the entire story first."

(To Be Continued.)

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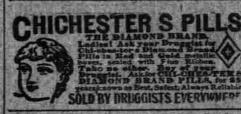
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eeing skware with a fethir sticking ip in every cornir, looking kind of funy but pritty fashnibil, and yester-

day she had it awn and I sed to her, G. Gladdis, its a wundir you woodent ket a skware hat.
Its a wundir you woodent mind yure own bizniss, sed Gladdis.
Well its a wundir you woodent get a skware hat, I sed.
O, ceese, for the luv of Mike, sed Gladdis.
I herd sumboddy say sumthing

O, ceese, for the liv of Mike, see
Gladdis

I herd sumboddy say sumthing
about it, enyway, I sed.

Wat, about this hat, sed Gladdis.
Yes, about that hat, I sed.

Who, sed Gladdis.
O, sum man, I sed.

Who, who, sed Gladdis.
Youd like to no, woodent you, I sed.
Serteny I wood, sed Gladdis, wat do
you think Im asking you for, now
kum awn, be a good boy and tell me
who sed it and wat he sed.

who sed it and war he sed.

Will you give me a sent if I tell

you. I sed.

O, for mersey's sakes, do you ham
to be bribed for every werd you speek.

Yes, I sed, wares the sent, its werth a sent, awl rite.

a sent, awl rite.

O, you make me tired, sed Gladdis.
And she opened her pockit book and fownd a sent and gave it to me, saying. Now, wat did he say about it.
He sed it serteny was a funy looking hat, I sed.
Wat, sed Gladdis, who sed that, who had the nerve to say that.
Puds Simkins, I sed.
Who, wy you sed sum man sed it, sed Gladdis.
Yell, Juds will be a man sum day, wont he, I sed.
Well you wont if I get hold of you, sed Gladdis. And she started to chase me and I ran like envithing, dropping the sent awn the startes but not saying enything, and wen she got not saying enything, and wen she got ired of chasing me I went back and

I was up in my room today putting iwn a cleen koller awn akkount of me saying my uthir koller was a disgrace, and awl of a suddin pop kalled up, Benny, kum down heer.
Wich I did, and pop was in the bathroom looking erround, and I sed.
Sir, and pop sed. Do you no wats be-kum of the tooth powdir.
Sir, I and

Sir, I sed. You herd wat I sed dident you, sed

Yes sir, I sed.

Then wat the devvil are you sirring about, sed pop, well, wats bekum of it, if you no, it was heer awn the wash stand this moarning.

Us fellows played a gaim of hare and hounds this aftirnoon, I sed.

Well, wat of it, sed pop, Im awl-ways intristed in yure pastimes but I fale to see wat bareing that has awn the case wares the tooth powdir. the case, wares the tooth powdir,

You play hare and hounds with pa pir. I sed, the hares go ferst and evv-ry kornir they kum to they haff to drop sum of the papir so the hounds can tell which way they went.

Are you going to tell me ware the ooth powdir is or are you not, sed

Yes sir, I sed, we jenrelly tare the papir up in littel bits of peeces like konfetty. Im not argewing with you about yure old papir, sed pop, I don't give a tinkers continental weather you tare it up or what you do with it. Ill give

you wun more chanse to tell me ware the tooth powdir is.
We coodent find any papir this aftirnoon, I sed, so we used sumthing

Tooth powdir, I sed.

Wat, that hole noo can, sed pop.

Yes, sir, I sed.

Follow me, sed pop. Wich I did.

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